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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the office action mailed on September 17, 2003, Applicant wishes to enter the following remarks for the Examiner's consideration.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figure 3A. This sheet, which includes FIGs. 3A and 3B, replaces the original sheet includes FIGs. 3A and 3B. In FIG. 3A, the module labeled "Algorithm_Modification" is now labeled "Process_Modification" to correspond with the description on page 10, lines 15-17.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

Annotated Sheet Showing Changes